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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: GREEN BAY INQUEST BEGINS MARCH 6

REFERENCE: KINGSTON 2008

1. THE INQUEST INTO THE "GREEN BAY INCIDENT" IN WHICH FIVE MEN WERE KILLED BY A UNIT OF THE JAMAICA DEFENCE FORCE (JDF) WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, MARCH 6. THE INQUEST, WHICH WAS PROMISED BY NATIONAL SECURITY MINISTER DUDLEY THOMPSON (SEE REFTTEL), WILL BE HELD IN SPANISH TOWN, HEADQUARTERS TWON FOR ST. CATHERINE, THE PARISH IN WHICH GREEN BAY IS LOCATED.

2. ALTHOUGH THE MATTER HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE CORONER, THE FACT THAT IT IS NOW "SUB JUDICE" HAS NOT NOTICEABLY DETERRED THE "STAR" AND "THE GLEANER" FROM PUBLISHING OCCASIONALLY FRESH BUT INCREASINGLY RE-CYCLED REPORTS ABOUT THE "GREEN BAY INCIDENT". IT IS CLEAR THAT THE GLEANER COMPANY, THE PARENT COMPANY OF BOTH PAPERS, IS RELYING ON INTERPRETATIONS OF THE LAW REGARDING "SUB
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JUDICE" IN JAMAICA WHICH ALLOWS COMMENT ON MATTERS BEFORE COURTS -- IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT THE PUBLIC IS INFORMED -- JUST AS LONG AS THEY DO NOT SEEK TO INFLUENCE THE FINDINGS OF THE COURT.
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